

Remarks

Claims 1-21 are pending in the application, with 1, 16, and 19 being the independent claims.

Applicants attach hereto copies of Figures 4c and 4d previously submitted with a Letter to the Draftsman dated July 2, 2004 ("the Letter"). The Letter was filed concurrently with a Petition. The Decision on the Petition mailed July 26, 2004 ("the Decision"), noted that Figures 4c and 4d should be filed in a Preliminary Amendment. Thus, Applicants are following this guidance. The Examiner is asked to approve adding Figures 4c and 4d to the original application before examination.

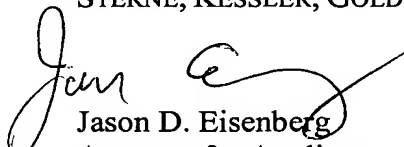
No new matter was entered by adding Figures 4c and 4d to the original application. Support for all the amendments to the Figures is found, *inter alia*, in the originally filed specification in Paragraph [0001], as noted in the Decision.

Conclusion

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Preliminary Amendment is respectfully requested. Applicant believes the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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